

## CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

DATE : 23 JUN 54

SECRET

ROUTING

1		4	
2		5	
3		6	

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM :

ACTION: WE 6

INFO : DCI, D/DCI, DD/P, COP, DD/P-PPC, PP 2, PP/ICD, PP/PRESS, WH (PBS) 2, WH 2, FI/RI 2

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM  
RELEASE AS SANITIZED  
2003

[ ] 1241 (IN 21358)

1803Z 23 JUN 54

ROUTINE

PRECEDENCE

TO: DIR

CITE: [ ]

RE: DIR 05703 (OUT 55615)

1. FOREIGN MINISTER IN PARLIAMENT (PORTION GARBLED - BEING SERVICED) REPORTED IN PRESS. HOWEVER, FOREIGN MINISTER HAS RECEIVED ROUGH TREATMENT BY OPPOSITION WHICH SUSPICIOUS OF U.S. HAND IN GUATEMALA. OPPOSITION'S QUESTIONS AND CRITICISMS ALSO REPORTED IN PRESS.

2. PRESS COVERAGE OF EVENTS IN GUATEMALA EXTENSIVE. IN ATTEMPTING TO REPORT WHAT IS REALLY HAPPENING IN GUATEMALA, NEWS STORIES HAVE OFTEN BEEN CONFUSED AND CONTRADICTORY. PRESS CARRIES EDITORIALS AND REPORTS OF (PORTION GARBLED) IN GUATEMALA, QUOTES STATEMENTS MADE BY GUATEMALAN LEADERS ON BOTH SIDES, STATEMENTS OF U.S. OFFICIALS, STATEMENTS MADE PRO AND CON IN U.N. IN FACT ANYONE IN OFFICIAL POSITION WHO HAS OPINION ON CURRENT SITUATION IN GUATEMALA IS QUOTED IN BRITISH PRESS. STORY AS GIVEN REF HAS RECEIVED DUE PROMINENCE BUT THIS STORY OFFSET BY CONTRARY CLAIMS AND REPORTS. ON THE WHOLE IMPRESSION

SECRET

IT IS FORBIDDEN TO MAKE A COPY OF THIS MESSAGE

Copy No.

~~SECRET~~

23 JUN 54

1241 (IN 21358)

PAGE 2

GAINED FROM BRITISH PRESS TREATMENT IS THAT U.S. SUPPORT OF  
ELEMENTS (PORTION GARBLED) OPPOSITION ARBENZ REGIME IS  
MATERIAL AS WELL AS SPIRITUAL.

END OF MESSAGE

~~SECRET~~